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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	2:18-CR-00318-JCM-DJA
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Plaintiff,)	
)	STIPULATION AND ORDER TO
v.)	CONTINUE SENTENCING
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CHRISTOPHER KENNETH COOLIDGE,)	
)	
)	(Seventh Request)
Defendant.)	
_____)	

It is hereby stipulated by and between Christopher Kenneth Coolidge, Defendant, by and through his counsel, Telia Mary U. Williams, Esq., and the United States of America, by and through its counsel, Melanee Smith, Assistant United States Attorney, that the sentencing date in

1 the above-captioned matter currently scheduled for May 25, 2022, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., be
2 vacated and continued by forty-five (45) days at a date and time convenient to this Honorable
3 Court.
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5 This Stipulation is entered into for the following reasons:

- 6 1. The Defendant, who is indigent and has to support a minor child, has had
7 suddenly to take over greater financial responsibilities and payment for a house
8 due to a family member, who was heretofore providing substantial financial
9 support and assisting with child care, moving out. The Defendant has been on
10 pre-trial release in the area of Seattle, Washington, where he has lived and worked
11 during the pendency of this case. He is in good stead on pre-trial release, and has
12 been for greater than two years.
- 13 2. Mr. Coolidge has returned twice to the area from Washington for hearings before
14 this court; and he has never missed a court date. And Mr. Coolidge planned and
15 expected to be able to do so for his sentencing scheduled for next week, as well.
16 But with the short notice of his needing to afford a greater sum than he had
17 planned to pay for his and his family's childcare and housing, he requires a short
18 continuance in which to shore up funds that he could not leave aside for the trip
19 next week due to the change in his circumstances (which were beyond his
20 control), and to prepare to leave his child under other arrangements. He has taken
21 the time to assess his situation, and with the assistance of counsel has determined
22 that a 45-day continuance would give him the time he needs to make his court
23 appearance and not cause himself or his family undue hardship, especially as he
24 could be facing a prison sentence and has a minor child for whom he may be the
25 sole support.
- 26 3. The Defendant is currently out of custody on Pretrial Release in the State of
27 Washington. He does not object to the continuance.
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4. Counsel for the Government has no objection to the continuance.
5. Denial for this request for continuance could deny the defendant, who has been perfectly compliant and cooperative with his pre-trial release and in assisting in his own defense, the opportunity to be present at his sentencing hearing in person and under his own volition, as he had expected and has shown himself to be responsible to do, and furthermore subject him to an unnecessary and undue hardship.
6. Accordingly, denial of this request for continuance would result in a miscarriage of justice.
7. For all the above-stated reasons, the ends of justice would best be served by a continuance of the sentencing date.
8. This is the seventh request for a continuance of the sentencing date in this case. Prior requests were not due to the individual defendant's request, but due to his counsel needing one, and/or due to the previous situation involving the Covid-19 pandemic.

DATED this 18th day of May, 2022.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

Based on the pending Stipulation of counsel, and good cause appearing therefore, the Court finds:

1. The Defendant, who is indigent and has to support a minor child, has had suddenly to take over greater financial responsibilities due to losing the support of a family member without previous notice.
2. The Defendant has been on pre-trial release in the area of Seattle, Washington, where he has lived and worked during the pendency of this case. He is in good stead on pre-trial release, and has been so since the inception, for greater than two years. The Defendant has not previously requested a continuance for his own personal concerns (as opposed to that of his counsel). He has made all prior court appearances, including ones in which he has had to arrange and pay for his own travel to the jurisdiction from out of state.
3. In addition, the Defendant would face a hardship that would impact his family, in particular, a minor child for whom it may be difficult for him to arrange for care with the abrupt change in his circumstances.
4. The Defendant is currently out of custody on Pretrial Release in the State of Washington. He does not object to the continuance.

5. Counsel for the Government has no objection to the continuance.
6. Denial for this request for continuance would place an undue burden on the Defendant who desires to attend his sentencing hearing in person and under his own volition.
7. Accordingly, denial of this request for continuance would result in a miscarriage of justice.
8. For all the above-stated reasons, the ends of justice would best be served by a 45-day continuance of the sentencing date.
9. This is the seventh request for a continuance of the sentencing date in this case.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Denial of this request for continuance would deny the defendant, Christopher Coolidge, the opportunity to attend his sentencing hearing in person.

As such, denial of this request for continuance could result in a miscarriage of justice.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the sentencing currently scheduled for May 25, 2022 at 10:00am, be continued to **July 13, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.**

DATED May 20, 2022.


UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE